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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Patrick BERGEOT, Bertrand LAPRAYE, Pascal VILLERET,

Michel CHEVANNE

AN IMPROVED DEVICE FOR THE CONTROL OF HETEROGENEOUS

EQUIPMENT IN A TELECOMMUNICATION NETWORK

Assignee: ALCATEL

Our Ref. Q79501



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 19 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet, and a Preliminary Amendment.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

| Total claims | 25 - 20 | = | 5 x | \$18.00 | = | \$90.00 |
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$860.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

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France

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The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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